

(d) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, what steps have been taken by Government against the officers responsible for the callous indifference in carrying out the orders of Government?

Sri. Panampilli Govinda Menon :

(a) Yes.

(b) No. The University has stated that the orders will be implemented after the new Vice-Chancellor has examined the matter.

(c) The University has reported that the matter was delayed as the former Vice-Chancellor was not in full agreement with the orders of Government.

(d) This question does not arise as the Vice-Chancellor has relinquished Office.

MEDICAL COLLEGE

***816. [48] Sri. Elias (Mary Antony) :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:—

(a) whether anybody of experts visited this state to advise the Government with regard to the proposed opening of Medical College in this State, if so the names of these experts;

(b) whether any agreement was made with them for the equipment of the proposed College.

(c) whether it is the idea of the Government to equip the College with foreign made appliances alone?

Sri. A. J. John :

(a) Mr. J. A. Ritchie, Architect of Bombay visited Trivandrum, to advise the College Committee on the lay-out of the College site and the plans for the College.

The College scheme was examined in Trivandrum by (1) Dr. A. Ananthanarayana Ayyar, Professor of Anatomy in the Madras Medical College for many years and now the Principal of the Stanley Medical College.

(2) Col. K. G. Pandalai, who was for many years Professor of Surgery in the Madras Medical College and Superintendent of the Madras General Hospital;

(3) Dr. Anderson, Representative of the Rockefeller Foundation in India, who was for some years on the staff of an American Medical College.

The scheme for the Nurses school and Hostel has been examined and scrutinised by Miss Tennant, Head of the Nursing Division of the Rockefeller Foundation and Mrs. Noll, Nursing Representative of the Rockefeller Foundation in India.

(b) No.

(c) The College will be equipped with the best materials available, consistent with cost. Preference will be given to suitable Indian products of proved quality if costs are not disproportionately high.

DAMAGES TO CULTIVATION

***817. [49] Sri. K. R. Elenkath :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state:—

(a) whether complaints have been received that damages are being caused to valuable cultivations like Food Crops, pepper, rubber etc., in the course of felling and removal of Royal trees from private lands by contractors of the Forest Department.

Sri. Panampilli Govinda Menon :

(a) Yes.

Recently a complaint has been received from one Mr. Appavu Nadar. His petition has been forwarded to the Chief Conservator of Forests for immediate remarks.

With a view to alleviate the sufferings of the agriculturists consequent on the removal of royal trees from their lands, recently Government have issued orders to the Chief Conservator of Forests to sell the Royal trees standing on private lands to the land owners themselves if they offer reasonable prices.

ദേവസ്വം ബോർഡ് മെമ്പർ തെരഞ്ഞെടുപ്പും മെമ്പർമാരുടെ ചെലവും

*** ൮൧൮. (൪൩) ശ്രീ. കൃഷ്ണൻ അയ്യപ്പൻ :** താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ചീഫ് മിനിസ്റ്റർ സദയം മറുപടി നൽകുമോ. —

(എ) ദേവസ്വം ബോർഡിലേക്ക് ഒരു മെമ്പറെ തിരഞ്ഞെടുക്കുവാൻ കൂടിയ അസംബ്ലി സമ്മേളനത്തിന്റെ ചെലവ് (മെമ്പർമാരുടെ യാത്രച്ചെലവ്) ദേവസ്വം ബോർഡ് വഹിക്കണമെന്ന് ഗവണ്മെന്റ് ദേവസ്വം ബോർഡിനോടു് ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിന് എന്തു മറുപടി ലഭിച്ചു എന്നു പ്രസ്താവിക്കുവാൻ ഞയ വണ്ടാകുമോ?

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള : (എ) ഉണ്ട്.

(ബി) അതു ഇപ്പോൾ വെളിച്ചപ്പെടുത്തുവാൻ നിവർത്തിയില്ല.

VILLAGE COURT CLERKS

*819. [44] **Sri. K. K. Kesavan :** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) what is the scale of pay and annual increments of village court clerks and village court copyist-clerks respectively ;

(b) are the Government aware of the fact that clerks are the chief ministerial officers of village court and the copyist clerks are junior to them ;

(c) is there any other department in which the chief ministerial officers are getting lesser pay than the other officers of the same office ;

(d) has any representation been received from the village courts' clerks association regarding the anomaly in the pay scales of the clerks and copyist clerks ; and

(e) if so, what action has been taken by the Government ?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai :

(a) Clerks 25-1-35-1½-50 Copyist-clerks 25-1½-40.

(b) Yes.

(c) The matter is being enquired into.

(d) Yes.

(e) The matter is under consideration along with the Re-organisation Scheme.

APPOINTMENTS

*820. [49] **Sri. R. K. Ram :** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) whether any new appointments have been made before and after the commencement of the new constitution ; and

(b) if so, the name of persons to whom appointments were given and the departments to which they were posted ?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai :

As the question is too vague, no definite answer can be furnished.

RETRENCHMENT IN SERVICES

*821. [56] **Sri. T. P. Sitaraman :** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) what is the nature of the policy of retrenchment in services ; and

(b) is there retrenchment in all departments ?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai :

(a) and (b) The policy is to retrench such of the posts as are not absolutely required for the efficient conduct of work.

TAXES

*822. [58] **Sri. T. P. Sitaraman :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state.—

(a) how many kinds of taxes there are now in force in U. S. T. C. ;

(b) is there any variation in Cochin area and Travancore area in any of the taxes and what is that ;

(c) how much income the Government have from each of the taxes ?

Sri. A. J. John :

(a) There are five main kinds of taxes, viz. (1) Land Tax (2) Income Tax (3) Sales Tax (4) Customs (5) Excise duties. Out of these, 1 and 2 are direct taxes and the rest indirect.

(b) Yes. There is difference in the rate of land tax.

(c) The figures for 1125 are available in the Budget for the year.